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•	Application No.	Applicant(s)					
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Notice of Allowability	Examiner	Art Unit					
	Huy K Mai	2873					
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The MAILING DATE of this communication apperature All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue ITHIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATE initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 Cl	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this Fee Due or other appropriate cor NT RIGHTS. This application is	application. If not included nmunication will be mailed in due course.					
1. 🛛 This communication is responsive to the amendment filed	June 21, 2001.						
. ☑ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-3,12,28,36-41 and 67-89. Claims 4-11,13-27,29-35 and 42-66 have been canceled.							
. The drawings filed on are acceptable as formal drawings.							
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:							
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.							
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3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority do	cuments have been received in the	nis national stage application from the					
International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).							
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5. Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).							
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6. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.							
7. Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS							
(a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review( PTO-948) attached							
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 3 should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal lett	7 CFR 1.84(c)) should be writte er addressed to the Official Di	n on the drawings. The drawings aftsperson.					
8.  Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIF	REMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT O	F BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.					
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Attachment(s)		•					
1☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	2☐ Notice of Info	rmal Patent Application (PTO-152)					
3 Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	4🛛 Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No.35						
5 Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449), Paper No		mendment/Comment					
7   Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit 8							

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#### **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: (I) The declaration/affidavit of David Chao under 37 CFR 1.131 (see exhibit #7) filed on April 20, 2001 with the evidence (see exhibits #8,9,10) and the facts fount in the interference no.: 104,051, papers #149,185 (see exhibits #3,4) are sufficient to overcome the Twincome-Pentax reference. Therefore, the Twincome-Pentax reference is no longer applicable. In another word, the rejection under 35 USC 102(a) over Twincome-Pentax reference in the action, paper #5, has been withdrawn. (II) In the amendment filed on April 20, 2001, all the cancellation of the added Fig. 8, the removal of the added phrases from the original specification and the removal of the language "at least one arm" from claims overcome the rejection under 35 USC 251, overcome the objection to the amendment filed Oct. 21, 1998 and also overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112, first paragraph in the action, paper #5. (III) Nishioka fails to disclose the limitations "said auxiliary spectacle frame including two side portions, each having an arm extended therefrom for extending over and for engaging with said upper side portion of said primary spectacle frame, and a pair of second magnetic members secured to said arms respectively for engaging with said first magnetic members of said primary spectacle frame so as to secure said auxiliary spectacle frame to said primary spectacle frame" in combination with claimed subject matter as claimed in claim 1. Nishioka fails to disclose the limitations "the primary spectacle frame including two side portion extensions extended therefrom for pivotally coupling a leg thereto and a first magnet having a horizontal surface and secured to said side portion extension of the primary spectacle frame" and "the auxiliary spectacle frame including two auxiliary side portions, the auxiliary spectacle frame including two second magnets, each secured to one of the Application/Control Number: 09/182,862

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auxiliary side portions for respectively engaging the horizontal surface of one of the first

magnets so as to secure the auxiliary spectacle frame to the primary spectacle frame" in

combination with claimed subject matter as claimed in claim 12. Nishioka also fails to disclose

the limitations as claimed in claims 36,67-78,81,86-89. The prior art fails to disclose or suggest

to combine with any other reference to meet the limitations as claimed in claims 1,12,36,67-

78,81,86-89. Therefore claims 1-3,12,28,36-41,67-89 are allowable over the prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the

payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for

Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Huy K. Mai whose telephone number is (703) 308-4874. The

examiner can normally be reached on M-F (8:00-4:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Georgia Y. Epps can be reached on (703) 308-4883. The fax phone numbers for the

organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 308-7722 for regular

communications and (703) 308-7724 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding

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July 12, 2001

Primary Examiner

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